



# SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Berkeley School District

Grades: PK-12

Enrollment: 28,949

Superintendent: Dr. Anthony Parker

Board Chair: Kathy Schwalbe

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD General Performance	AND SILVER AWARD Closing the Gap	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2010	Average	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2009	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2008	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	3	19	1	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## PASS

PASS	2010 Reading % Met or above	2010 Math % Met or above	2010 Science % Met or above	2010 Social Studies % Met or above	2010 Writing % Met or above
District	77.0%	73.4%	69.7%	73.4%	72.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.1%	71.8%	68.2%	71.2%	72.7%
Average District	74.0%	70.6%	67.4%	71.0%	72.0%

PASS	2010 Reading % Exemplary	2010 Math % Exemplary	2010 Science % Exemplary	2010 Social Studies % Exemplary	2010 Writing % Exemplary
District	41.2%	32.8%	20.8%	30.0%	33.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	40.4%	32.3%	21.2%	28.5%	33.4%
Average District	39.7%	32.1%	21.9%	29.4%	33.4%

## HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	77.6%	12.0%	10.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.1%	11.5%	9.4%

## HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2010 (%)

District	89.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	90.7%

## End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	67.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	64.3%

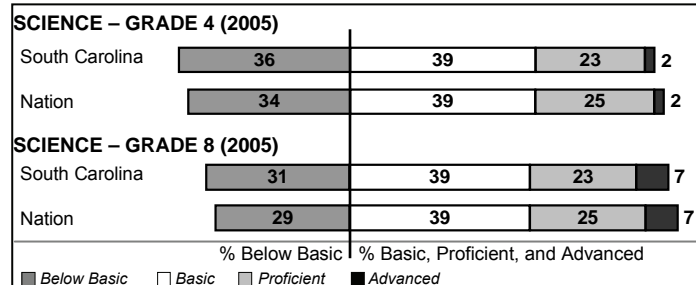
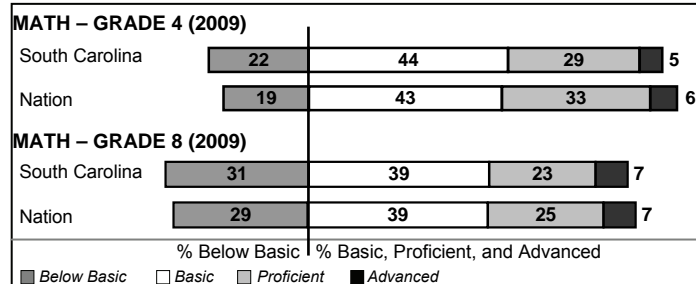
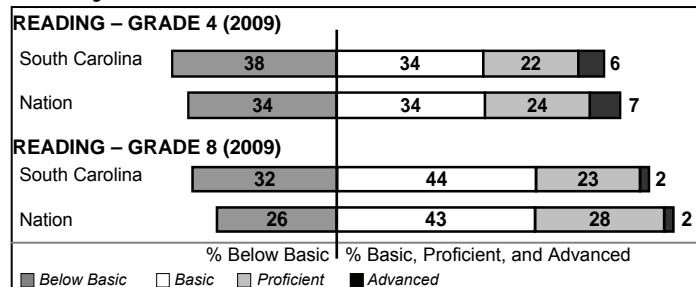
## On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	67.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	71.8%

\*\* Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## NAEP\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

### 2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

### 2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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## DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>Students (n=28,949)</b>				
Retention rate	1.6%	Down from 2.5%	1.8%	2.3%
Attendance rate	95.1%	Down from 95.4%	95.6%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	12.2%	Up from 10.1%	17.4%	14.3%
With disabilities other than speech	10.5%	Down from 10.6%	10.6%	10.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.4%	No Change	3.8%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.1%	Down from 1.9%	0.7%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	11.1%	Up from 8.1%	16.3%	12.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	49.7%	50.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.1%	Up from 27.3%	35.4%	31.4%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	219	Up from 149	45	47
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	167	Up from 114	35	29
Annual dropout rate	5.5%	Up from 5.4%	3.4%	3.1%
<b>Teachers (n=1,845)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	59.9%	Up from 58.3%	60.2%	58.8%
Continuing contract teachers	71.4%	Up from 71.2%	84.6%	81.5%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.2%	Down from 4.6%	3.2%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.7%	Up from 88.3%	91.3%	89.3%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.3%	95.4%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,971	Up 0.4%	\$47,611	\$46,618
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.2%	Up from 0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.2%	Up from 1.1%	1.5%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.4 days	Down from 12.3 days	12.7 days	12.6 days
<b>District</b>				
Superintendent's years at district	2.0	Up from 0.5	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.2 to 1	Up from 21.1 to 1	21.5 to 1	20.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Down from 89.9%	89.9%	89.9%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,476	Up 0.3%	\$9,057	\$9,364
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.1%	Up from 51.1%	55.5%	53.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	55.4%	Up from 55.1%	58.5%	56.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	38	Up from 36	14	9
Portable classrooms	3.7%	Down from 8.5%	3.5%	2.4%
Average age in years of school facilities	19 Years	Up from 18 Years	25 Years	27 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	38.0	Up from 36.0	13.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 92.6%	96.3%	97.1%
Average administrator salary	\$79,295	No Change	\$81,014	\$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	N/A		N/A	N/A

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

## CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The Berkeley County School District focuses on measured success for all children. Our new mission statement captures our commitment: Building upon our rich Lowcountry traditions, we will ignite, in every student, a passion for lifelong learning. Through dynamic instruction, creative partnerships, and exceptional support, we will foster opportunities for each student to build a legacy of success.

Cane Bay Elementary opened in August, and Cane Bay High, in its second year, now serves 9th through 11th graders. Grades 9-12 will be served at the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year. A magnet School of the Arts opened at Goose Creek High, completing the magnet arts programs offered at Howe Hall AIMS and Marrington Middle. Another successful choice program, the STAR Academy, enables students who have fallen behind to complete both 8th and 9th grades in a single year. Last year, 90% of the students in this school-within-a-school at Berkeley High met or exceeded the target growth level in reading. Fifty-three of the 66 STAR completers (80%) succeeded in earning three or more high school credits.

Our Child Development Education Program (CDEPP) serves over 875 students in full-day four-year-old programs. Such early intervention has resulted in measured improvement in testing performance in primary grades. Reading performance, as measured by MAP (Measures of Academic Progress), has shown a steady improvement in all grades. On the NWEA MAP test, every grade level had a median score above the national average in both reading and mathematics.

Berkeley County remains a leader in innovative classroom technology. The district has SMART boards in most classrooms and provides training to K-12 teachers in the use of smart lessons related software. All new and renovated schools have Cynergi technology that links safety and communication needs to the learning environment. The district also has an instant messaging system, allowing all schools and the district office to personally communicate with parents and employees regarding emergency situations, school events, and other important issues.

The district's quest for achievement is ongoing. Last year, 153 8th graders earned Jr. Scholar status, and 34 7th graders — a record number — earned Duke TIP Scholar status. Both groups attended an expanded 3rd Annual Junior Scholar Acceleration Institute. The 2010 graduating class earned a record amount of scholarships monies — \$26,821,009. Teachers impacted the excellence quest, with 29 earning the prestigious National Board Certification, bringing the district total to 288. Student academic teams garnered state and national awards. Hanahan Middle's Eco Team won the Lexus Eco-Challenge Competition and a grant of \$10,000, while Cross High won a Bronze Medal in US News and World Report's Ranking of Best High Schools. Marrington Middle was one of only four schools selected nationally to present at the Student to Student Military Child Education Coalition Conference.

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